manning the area under their jurisdiction with sufficient number of available watercrafts and other vessels.

For further strengthening of patrolling in the coastal waters, the Govt. has awarded contract to M/s. Goa Shipyard Ltd. (GSL) and M/s. Garden Research Shipbuilders and Engineers Ltd. (GRSE) for supply of 110 boats of 12 ton capacity and 84 boats of 5 ton capacity.

Making police sensitive to protect the secular ethos of country

2569. KUMARI NIRMALA DESHPANDE : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any plan to change the mindset of the police, so that they become more sensitive to discharge their duty to protect the secular ethos of our country; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) The police personnel are appointed and trained in the police training establishments in the States and UTs. Bureau of Police Research and Development (BPR&D) advises on curricula for such training courses that, *inter alia,* include modules on sensitization to secularism. In-service courses, seminars and workshops are also organised on topics related to rights of minority communities, communal harmony, special policing needs of minorities and other related aspects.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

Infiltration of Naxalities into unknown areas

†2570. SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Naxalities have infiltrated into the States where their activities were hitherto unknown;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Naxalities have also entered the trade of supply of Heroin, Brown Sugar and other psychotropic substances;

(c) whether it is also a fact that they are in collusion with the police of some States who disregard Naxalite activities; and

(d) whether it is also a fact that country's Naxalities have formed a nexus with Maoists of Nepal and Pakistan's ISI?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) In 2007, 1565 incidents and 696 casualties were reported from 361 police stations in 13 States; in 2006, 1509 incidents and 678 casualties were reported from 395 police stations in 11 States; and in 2005, 1608 incidents and 677 casualties were reported from 460 police stations in 11 States.

(b) Some available inputs suggest that cannabis cultivation and its trade have become a source of finance for the CPI(Maoist) in some parts in the States of Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand and Orissa. In its strongholds, the CPI (Maoist) collects 'levy' from licensee

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

cannabis cultivators who cultivate excess land over and above the permitted limits, 'protection money' from narcotics traders who indulge in trafficking and 'safe passage money' from narcotics smugglers.

(c) There are no inputs available to suggest this.

(d) There is no specific evidence available to indicate such operational links.

Terrorist incidents in Uttar Pradesh

2571. SHRI SHAHID SIDDIQUI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of terrorist incidents that have taken place in Uttar Pradesh in the last two years; and

(b) how many terrorists were arrested in these incidents, their names and details of their affilliations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) to (b) As per available information, the major terrorist incidents that have taken place in Uttar Pradesh since 2006 ware twin blasts at Varanasi on 7.3.2006, three blasts at Gorakhpur on 22.5.2007, bomb blasts in court premises in Varanasai, Lucknow and Faizabad on 23.11.2007 and attack on CRPF Group Centre at Rampur on 1.1.2008. 20 persons have reportedly been arrested in connection with these terrorist incidents and are reported to be affiliated to terrorist organizations such as HUJI and Lashkar-e-Taiba.

Funds to Kerala under MPF Scheme

2572. SHRI K. CHANDRAN PILLAI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Modernization of Police Force Scheme has been implemented since 2001;

(b) if so, the details of the progress made under the scheme, State-wise;

(c) the year-wise outlay of funds approved by MHA to Kerala for the purpose;

(d) the details of funds so far released to the State, year-wise;

(e) whether there is shortfall in the release of funds to the State; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and the reason for the delay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) While "law and order" and "Police" are State Subjects as per VII Schedule of the Constitution, the Central Government has been implementing a Non-plan Scheme namely the "Scheme for Modernization of State Police Forces" (MPF Scheme) to supplement the efforts of the State Governments in modernizing their police forces. The Central funds are released to the States keeping in view the demands of other States, security scenario, and utilization of funds released during the previous years and allocation of funds under the Scheme from the Ministry of Finance. The details of Central funds released to various States, year-wise, for the period 2001-02 to 2007-08 are given in the Statement (*See* below).